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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated October 15, 2008 be extended for a period of two months from January 15, 2009 to March 15, 2009. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$490. As the deadline fell on Sunday, filing on Monday, March 16, 2009 is appropriate without additional extension.

The required fee, estimated to be \$490, was charged to Novozymes North America, Inc.'s Deposit Account No. 50-1701 at the time of electronic filing. The USPTO is authorized to charge this Deposit Account should any additional fees be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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